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### MEDDAC teams online

Check out your new team assignment for primary care for family members and retirees at the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center website. New MIVAS hours are included as well. Web address is [www.rwbach.huachuca.amedd.army.mil](http://www.rwbach.huachuca.amedd.army.mil).

### Investment info seminar

The Special Emphasis Program Committee is sponsoring an Investment Information Seminar today, 9-11 a.m., at the Quality Training Center, Building 22420 (Next to the Military Clothing Sales Store). Civilian and military personnel are invited. Seating is limited; call Joan Street, SEPM, at 538-0276 to reserve a seat.

### Blood drive set

The American Red Cross will sponsor a blood drive Friday, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Murr Community Center. Remember to drink extra non-caffeine fluids starting the day before and eat a good meal two to four hours before donating. For information, call 1-800-GIVE LIFE (448-3543).

### Triathlon road closure

Brainaird Road (from Squire to Hatfield) and Kelsay Road (from Irwin to Brainaird) will be closed to vehicular traffic on Saturday from 6-7:30 a.m. Please use alternate routes. For information, call 533-5031.

### Arizona Ave. closed

Due to a required transformer change out at the Main Post Exchange, Arizona Avenue will be closed 8-11 p.m. Sunday. The road will be blocked off from the Bank to Burns Street to allow the crane access to set the transformer.

# New commander tells post's largest unit to expect high levels of support

By Sgt. Cullen James  
Scout Staff

All four branches of the military were represented Wednesday as the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade changed command at 7:30 a.m. on historic Brown Parade Field here.

Col. Michael J. Gaffney relinquished command of the brigade to Col. William A. Carrington. Gaffney leaves Fort Huachuca to take an assignment at the Pentagon as the chief of Force Development, Intelligence in DCSOPS.

"Possibly the most important assignment for a [Military Intelligence] colonel," said Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr., commanding general, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca.

Carrington joins the brigade from Fort Huachuca's Battle Lab, having commanded that organization for the past year. "In Colonel Carrington ... the continuity of excellence will continue," Thomas said. "[Carrington] is a proven leader and commander who's been at the heart of the mili-

tary transformation."

In Thomas' comments, he spoke of Gaffney's leadership abilities while he commanded the 111th. "[Gaffney] has done the best job I've ever seen leading this brigade. The 111th couldn't have had a better leader in the past two years," Thomas said.

Regarding Carrington, Thomas spoke of his leadership of the Battle Lab and that having Carrington take command of the brigade was brining a known element of leadership to the unit.

"As the commander of the Battle Lab, Carrington knows where the Army is going," Thomas explained. "In him, we'll see continued progress. We couldn't have a better commander and family coming in behind the Gaffneys."

Gaffney tailored most of his remarks as a "thank you" to those for whom he attributes his success. From God to his wife and family, from Thomas to Command Sgt.

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Photo by Sgt. Cullen James

**Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr., commanding general, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca passes the guidon to Col. William A. Carrington during the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade change of command ceremony Wednesday. Command Sgt. Maj. Gary Jones and Col. Michael J. Gaffney look on.**

## Automated Wet Bulb readings available for injury prevention

PMWARS release

As part of ongoing efforts to improve training and reduce environmental injuries, the Preventive Medicine Wellness and Readiness Service has installed an Automated Wet Bulb Computer Information System at Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center.

The AWCIS provides Heat Category information updated every 15 minutes available through an automated telephone system. The AWCIS access number is 533-9162.

This system also provides fax on demand documents including the current Wet Bulb Globe Temperature Heat Category Chart, heat and cold injury information, medically important organism information, and other useful preventative medicine documents.

To receive information from the fax on demand information, callers must access the system from a fax machine telephone and following the automated instructions.

WBGIT information provided through AWCIS is intended to serve as guidance to commanders and supervisors in planning physical activities and training for soldiers. It must be noted that WBGIT

will vary from location to location.

The availability of AWCIS does not eliminate the requirement for commanders and those leading troops to monitor WBGIT at their place of training.

For more information about this system or other environmental concerns, call Cpl. Jermaine Crayton, noncommissioned officer in charge of PMWARS, at 533-9013.

**(At right) An Automated Wet Bulb Computer Information System provides Heat Category information every 15 minutes through an automated telephone system.**



MEDDAC photo

# The Scout's Chaplain

## Celebrate America's Godly heritage

By Chap. (Maj.) Phillip P. Richmond  
304th MI Bn. Chaplain

Celebrating the 4th of July weekend is always an exciting time for our family. We love the cookouts, times of fellowship with friends and family and of course the fireworks. I don't know about you, but I get teary eyed when the National Anthem plays and the Red, White and Blue is displayed.

I have always loved this country and all that it stands for. I suppose that's why I've been in uniform for the last 22 years. I am proud of America and what it represents in the world today.

As a Christian chaplain I have spent many hours praying for our nation. I pray not only to give thanks for the strong economy and the wonderful standard of living that we Americans enjoy, but also for our future.

What is our future? As I read the papers and watch the news I grow increasingly alarmed at our lack of political resolve when it comes to matters of religion. To be more specific, I am alarmed at the American people's willingness to let God get nudged out of school curriculums, court-houses, public sports events and the workplace. Suddenly it seems that students who read the Ten Commandments might get a

warped mentality or something. Such moral truths as don't lie, cheat, commit adultery and so on can only better our students' development ... and yet we are afraid to have any "God-talk" in the public sector. President Ronald Reagan observed that "If we forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a Nation gone under."

Forty years earlier General Douglas MacArthur stated that "History fails to record a single precedent in which nations subject to moral decay have not passed into political and economic decline."

Whether we consult the Bible or simply refer to the history books we find a resounding admonition to aggressively guard the moral fabric of our society.

All too often today I find a reluctance to refer to the foundations of this great nation as being Christian. Nevertheless, our rich Christian heritage cannot be denied. President John Adams addressed the military on October 11, 1798 and stated, "We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Avarice, ambition, revenge, or gallantry, would break

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## Survey measures civilian attitudes

### CPO release

Headquarters, Department of the Army mailed 18,000 copies of the Army's annual civilian attitude survey to a randomly selected sample of employees and supervisors last week.

The survey measures work force morale, including satisfaction with job, career, supervisor, workgroup, promotion system, and awards. It also measures customer satisfaction with personnel services.

An Army contractor mailed the survey booklets to employee's home addresses. If you received this survey in the mail, feel free to bring it to work and complete it on duty time.

"I totally support this effort," said Murray Mack, Headquarters, Department of the Army. "This is a great opportunity

for us to tell senior Army leadership how we feel about our work situation. Although the survey is voluntary, I strongly urge you to complete it. We need to know how you feel. Don't worry about whether management can identify individuals or small groups-they can't."

Responses are totally confidential and only summary results from large groups are reported. The results will be available for everyone to see online by October.

If you'd like to see results for last year, go to the Civilian Personnel Online home page at <http://cpol.army.mil> and look under current topics of interest.

If you have any questions, the Army point of contact is Murray Mack. He can be reached at (703) 695-3796, DSN 255-3796, or [Murray.Mack@hqda.army.mil](mailto:Murray.Mack@hqda.army.mil).

## Best sellers available at Main Post Library

### Library release

The New York Times Best Sellers are available at the Main Post Library.

### Fiction

Harry Potter & The Prisoner of Azkaban  
Harry Potter & The Chamber of Secrets  
Easy Prey  
The Brethren  
Before I Say Goodbye  
Oh, the Places You'll Go!  
The Bluest Eye  
Harry Potter & The Sorcerer's Stone

### Nonfiction

In the Heart of the Sea  
Tuesdays with Morrie  
Me Talk Pretty One Day  
The Greatest Generation  
In a Sunburned Country  
The Greatest Generation Speaks  
Flags of Our Fathers

# Commentary

## Cohen announces anthrax vaccination slowdown

By William S. Cohen  
DefenseSecretary

Today, I want to talk to you about two important issues: force protection and safety.

In 1997, I accepted the recommendation of the Joint Chiefs to require vaccination of all U.S. military personnel against anthrax, a deadly biological agent which is almost always lethal to unprotected, untreated victims. For the past two years, the department has been vaccinating those of you deploying to Southwest Asia and Korea, the two most likely regions where anthrax could be used against you.

To date, we have provided more than 1.8 million safe and reliable vaccinations using a vaccine, certified by the Food and Drug Administration, with a 30-year history of safe and effective use, every dose meeting the highest quality and safety standards and backed by additional testing. And I would point out that the chairman of the Joint Chiefs, Gen. (Henry) Shelton, and I were among the very first to

receive this vaccine.

When we began this program, we had a stockpile of vaccine. The one facility that produced the vaccine has since been taken over and replaced by a new company which has yet to receive FDA approval to begin operations at a new facility. During this time, we have been conducting vaccinations from our original stockpile. Unfortunately, we're beginning to run low on tested and certified doses from that stockpile, forcing us to temporarily slow our vaccination efforts.

I want to explain how this may affect you. We will make every effort to continue vaccinating those of you who are serving or about to serve in high-threat areas. Of course, the rest of our force health protection package, such as detectors in the field and full supplies of antibiotics, are going to remain in place while we await more vaccine. And as soon as a sufficient and safe supply of vaccine is available, we will expand the program, ultimately vacci-

nating all members of the active and reserve force.

We deeply appreciate the tremendous efforts of those who have made the anthrax vaccine program a success to date, especially those of you already receiving vaccinations.

We put safety first when we started this program two years ago. I'm putting safety first again today. We will put safety first when we expand the program after we have assured ourselves a supply from a new FDA-certified facility. Our highest priority has always been and always will remain to protect those of you who are protecting America.

(Editor's note: *Defense Leaders* is a feature of the *American Forces Press Service*. It provides senior DoD leaders with an opportunity to speak directly to military service members, their families and DoD civilians on subjects of current interest.)

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306th MI Bn. to change command

By Tanja M. Linton  
Media Relations Officer

Lt. Col. Carol J. Szarenski relinquishes command of the 306th Military Intelligence Battalion to Lt. Col. D.J. Reyes in a ceremony July 28 at 7:30 a.m. on Brown Parade Field.

Szarenski will retire from the U.S. Army. Reyes comes to Fort Huachuca after serving as the Deputy Commander of the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade in Korea.

Members of the public are invited to attend the ceremony. Spectators are reminded that the Directorate of Public Safety will set up traffic control points one hour prior to the start of the ceremony at the intersection of Adair and Grierson; Adair and Augur; and Shipp and Augur Avenues. Military police will remain at the traffic control points until 15 minutes after the conclusion of the ceremony.

Parking for spectators and participants in the ceremony is available on the north side of Christy Avenue at the AAFES Clothing Sales Store and behind the Directorate of Contracting.

DENTAC to change command

By Tanja M. Linton  
Media Relations Officer

Col. Harland G. Lewis, Jr., relinquishes command of the U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Huachuca, to Col. Terrence S. Murphy in a ceremony today at 8 a.m. on Brown Parade Field.

Lewis will serve as a clinician at Fort Carson, Colo.

Murphy comes to Fort Huachuca after serving as the Commander of the Fort Belvoir, Va., Dental Clinic Command.

Members of the public are invited to attend the ceremony. Spectators are reminded that the Directorate of Public Safety will set up traffic control points one hour prior to the start of the ceremony at the intersection of Adair and Grierson; Adair and Augur; and Shipp and Augur Avenues. Military police will remain at the traffic control points until 15 minutes after the conclusion of the ceremony.

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Medical Activity Command

Health Center reengineers to improve care

By 1st Lt. Ronna Winn  
RWBAHC PAO

Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center is reengineering itself to better serve beneficiaries’ needs by improving access and location of care. These efforts include physical location changes inside the RWBAHC facility as well as reassignments of providers for patients.

Besides an improved location of centralized services, such as pharmacy, laboratory and radiology for family members that were previously seen at satellite clinics, patients will notice a change in the delivery of care.

Care will be provided under a team concept, where each team is led by a physician with the assistance of nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses and medics. This concept is called “Primary Care Provider by Name,” and is similar to the management and choice of providers that civilians are provided by HMO organizations.

Each active duty family member will be assigned to a patient provider team who is responsible for their primary care. This team concept is being implemented to improve the continuity of care a family member receives.

For example, seeing the same provider will allow a provider to better know a patient’s history, previous use of medications, and exceptional family member issues. Each patient has a two month “open window” to disenroll from their assigned team and choose another team if they desire.

“This program is about bringing the right resources together at the right time,” said Col. Ronald Jones, Fort Huachuca’s Medical Activity commander. “We have to spend our resources where they are most needed and spend them with a sustainable future in mind.”

All active duty family members will be seen at the Raymond Bliss facility and are assigned to teams based on their sponsors’ unit.

Retirees are also being reassigned to these teams and will continue to be seen in the Raymond Bliss facility as follows:

Retiree Last Name A-H	Team is Mesquite, Provider is Dr. Reno and Lt. Col. O’Donell (nurse practitioner)
Retiree Last Name I-P	Team is Saguaro, Provider is Dr. Hendrickson and Mr. Patton (physician assistant)
Retiree Last Name Q-U	Team is Ocotillo, Provider is Dr. Crosby and Capt. Stall (nurse practitioner)
Retiree Last Name V-Z	Team is Agave, Provider is Dr. Martinez and Mr. Wood (physician assistant.)

For an appointment with your primary care provider call Central Appointments at 533-9200 and the scheduling clerk will verify your team assignment if you are unsure. Patient Advocate’s Office is also available for assistance by contacting Carol Tucker at 533-2313.

Town Hall meeting to discuss Commercial Activities Study

Col. Michael W. Boardman, garrison commander, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca, will discuss the status of the Commercial Activities Study at a Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, 10 a.m.-noon at Cochise Theater.

Training Support Center, Directorate of Information Management and Adjutant General employees are welcome to participate in a question and answer session following the update.

Currently, organizations are streamlining operations to become more effective and to empower them for possible future competitors.

The DOIM, AG and TSC are developing performance work statements, which define what the organizations do

and how well they perform their operations.

The PWS determines the most efficient organization. The MEO is a government organization that has been streamlined to effectively compete with contractors in a commercial study.

The performance of the MEO determines the in-house cost estimate at the end of the study. This estimate is the government’s bid to do the work.

Boardman said that this study is different from commercial studies in the past. Organizations previously spent to budget, and success was defined as spending every cent in that budget. Today, success is defined as performing to the standard set for each function at the lowest possible cost.

Fort’s substance abuse program rewarded for performance improvement

By Kelly Figula  
Scout Intern

The Fort Huachuca Army Substance Abuse Program improvement team received \$7,000 on June 26 as a reward from the MEDDAC performance improvement program for its efficient health care processes.

“This [MEDDAC] program is geared to reward effective and efficient health care processes so that the health center will function well and thereby be prized in the community,” said Lorna Cook, the Fort Huachuca health center performance improvement director.

The ASAP team’s winning project proved \$553,000 savings in 18 months due to re-engineering the department.

The team reorganized staff requirements, creating women’s, couples’ and

spouses’ support groups without additional employees.

The ASAP team also increased the urinalysis program by 20 percent.

“Compared to other ASAP programs, Fort Huachuca is able to show the most efficient program in cost per patient in the region,” Cook said.

Dr. Tom Cahill, who leads the ASAP team, said the award money will be used for continuing education and training in the drug and alcohol abuse program.

The MEDDAC performance improve-

ment program has two annual competitions a year, allowing teams’ improvement records to be judged.

The submissions are graded on interdisciplinary efforts, making business run smoother, improving the quality of work performance, how much productivity was increased, on cost saved or increase in profit, and on improved customer satisfaction.

“The post has been very supportive in making things happen,” Cook said.

This program was possible with the co-

operation of the Fort Huachuca community. The garrison and the Directorate of Morale, Welfare & Recreation supplied the state-of-the-art building, which significantly reduced operating costs, MEDDAC/ASAP vehicle, and audio-visual equipment. They also provided the ASAP team with military staff to train MEDDAC civilians.

The ASAP office is located in Building 22414. The program provides education, prevention, rehabilitation and biochemical testing services.

Eligible groups include active-duty military, the civilian workforce, retirees and the families of each of these groups.

Counseling services include outpatient individual and group counseling, clinical evaluation, referral for inpatient treatment and guidance on intervention techniques.

For information, call 533-3604.

‘Compared to other ASAP programs, Fort Huachuca is able to show the most efficient program in cost per patient in the region.’  
Lorna Cook

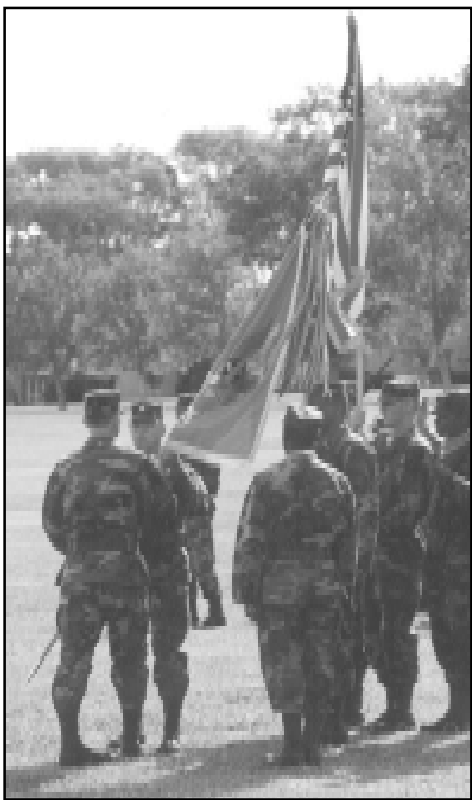


Photo by 1st Lt. Michael Peters

**Col. Daniel R. Judy Commander, 11th Signal Brigade hands the Guidon to Lt. Col. Damian J. Heaney new Commander 40th Signal Battalion.**

## 'Team 40th' changes command

*By 1st Lt. Michel R. Peters  
11th Signal Bde. PAO*

On July 14 the 40th Signal Battalion bid farewell to Lt. Col. Darryl C. Dean and welcomed its new commander Lt. Col. Damian J. Heaney. at Fort Huachuca's historic Brown Parade Field.

Under Dean's leadership, "Team 40th" has participated in many worldwide contingency operations in East Timor, Southwest Asia and Bosnia.

Dean will report to the Pentagon where he will be involved in the management of the Army's communications network architecture.

Heaney comes to Fort Huachuca from Europe where he served as the chief of operations of the Bosnia Command and Control Augmentation Program with Defense Information Systems Agency.

Heaney, an 18-year veteran, is accompanied by his wife Virginia and daughters Erin, Emily, Eileen and Katlin.

## Medicare, not TRICARE, is primary payer for kidney disease

### TRICARE release

TRICARE beneficiaries with end stage renal disease (kidney failure) may be entitled to Medicare for primary coverage of their care expenses but need to check with the Social Security Administration to determine their eligibility.

Individuals with permanent kidney failure are covered by special rules in the Medicare system and TRICARE beneficiaries with this condition must first contact the Social Security Administration to apply for Medicare benefits.

TRICARE claims relating to treatment for end stage renal disease from beneficiaries who have not applied for Medicare may be denied. Proof of Medicare payment must accompany claims. A denial will be described in the beneficiary's Explanation of Benefits statement.

TRICARE beneficiaries who are accepted for Medicare coverage must contact the nearest military personnel office to have this information entered into the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System.

Your TRICARE eligibility may be affected by your end stage renal disease status. You will need to contact the nearest military personnel office to determine whether you meet the conditions for continuation of your TRICARE eligibility.

TRICARE beneficiaries who are active duty family members and are accepted for Medicare coverage due to kidney failure may maintain dual eligibility. However, Medicare will be the primary payer for their treatment, and TRICARE will be the secondary payer.

Permanent kidney failure can strike at any age. Affected individuals are eligible for Medicare Part A at any age if they receive a kidney transplant or maintenance dialysis and if they meet one of two other basic requirements.

Either the individual must be insured or receiving benefits under the Social Se-

curity system or the Railroad Retirement Board or he or she must have worked sufficiently long in government to be qualified for Medicare according to Social Security Administration requirements.

Concerned individuals are urged to contact their local Social Security Administration office for current, specific information on Medicare enrollment, eligibility and coverage.

The spouse and children of an individual with a Medicare-qualifying work record may also be eligible for coverage under Medicare Part A if they receive maintenance dialysis or a kidney transplant. This is true even if no one else in the family is receiving Medicare.

How long Medicare covers beneficiaries with permanent kidney failure depends upon whether the individuals are receiving maintenance dialysis or a kidney transplant and upon several specific factors regarding those procedures. Once again, the local Social Security office should be contacted for details.

Beneficiaries with kidney failure who lose TRICARE eligibility at the start of their Medicare coverage may be reinstated in TRICARE when their Medicare coverage ends due to successful treatment.

TRICARE reinstatement depends upon the continuing ability to meet TRICARE eligibility requirements. Beneficiaries must obtain the details from the Social Security Administration and from their nearest military personnel office.

TriWest Healthcare Alliance is a Phoenix-based management service organization that is contracted with the Department of Defense for the managed care support and administration of the TRICARE program in the TRICARE Central Region.

*(Editor's note: The information contained in this story pertains only to TRICARE Prime, Extra, and Standard beneficiaries.)*

## POW/MIA poster en route to troops worldwide

*By Rudi Williams*

*American Forces Press Service*

WASHINGTON — Military units and ships at seas around the world are receiving copies of the POW/MIA Recognition Day 2000 poster, according to Larry Greer of DoD's POW-Missing Personnel Office.

Greer said the poster's somber black tones symbolize the darkness in the lives of those who suffer through the agony of having a loved one missing in action.

Family members of missing personnel and veterans served as a "focus group" that helped decide design ideas appropriate for all conflicts and all the services, he said. This is the POW-Missing Personnel Office's second annual poster.

The office polled the services and veter-

ans and family organizations and printed 116,000 copies of the poster for their use, Greer said.

Family members of missing personnel who would like to have a poster may contact their respective family organizations, or Greer's office at (703) 602-2102 or download it from his office's Internet web site at [www.dtic.mil/dpmo](http://www.dtic.mil/dpmo).

Information will be posted on the web site about POW/MIA Recognition Day — the third Friday of September — to help installations plan local observances. Greer noted. The day falls on Sept. 15 this year.

People visiting the web site also will find a lot of information about what the government is doing concerning servicemen missing in action, Greer said.

## Commander's Hotline

A call to the Commander's Hotline raised several issues with Consumer Affairs.

### Call

I was given a budget plan that does not allow money for food or gas. I'm a single parent and need money to feed my child and gas for my car in order to get to work.

The Consumer Affairs counselor also told me she would contact AAFES DPP and set up a payment plan for me. I have been making payments, according to the plan. After receiving late notices from AAFES, I contacted them and was told no arrangements have been made.

I've also attempted to contact the counselor at Consumer Affairs to see what happened, and she refuses to return my calls.

I feel that Consumer Affairs has not helped me, like

I was promised. I'm in worse shape now than I was before I met with Consumer Affairs. Why does Consumer Affairs offer to help soldiers with a budget, then doesn't?

### Response

Service members/family members seeking budget counseling assistance are required to complete a Financial Information Form, FH Form 1444-R. They are required to enter an amount for both food and transportation, such as gas, oil, etc.

The only time a budget form may not show an amount for food or transportation is when the client has received Army Emergency Relief assistance to provide those items for the month, which is apparently what happened in this instance.

Quite often, not all information is filled in or the form is left completely blank. In either case, the budget counselor reviews the form with the client and makes sure all

necessary living expenses are met before adding the cost of consumer debt.

The budget counselor does 20 new clients per week, in addition to updating on-going cases, working with businesses, and returning phone calls. The average new client has 15 creditors which must be contacted.

The client must assume responsibility for providing accurate creditor information, such as names, dates, addresses, and amounts of credit. The budget counselor does not have time to research this information and cannot provide letters to creditors if the information provided by the client is not accurate.

I cannot address the proposal not being sent to AAFES/DPP without knowing the soldier's name, however these proposals are completed routinely.

**Dennis Brock**  
*Army Community Services*



# NCO Academy focuses on 1 team, vision

## Ceremony marks beginning of school's transformation

By Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class LaToya E. Sizer  
Public Affairs NCOIC

The Noncommissioned Officers Academy got a new internal look Friday during a change of responsibility ceremony outside of Ice Hall.

The academy consolidated all cadre under one first sergeant, and named new chiefs for the Advanced NCO Course, Basic NCO Course, and Training and Development. The academy was transformed because of multiple rotations within the academy, according to Command Sgt. Maj. Doug M. Striffolino, NCOA commandant.

Previously the academy held two first sergeant positions – one each for ANCOC and BNCOC. “We must make significant changes in our approach to training and in the conditions in which the training is presented,” Striffolino said. “It’s going to require new thinking, certification, development, systems and facilities.”

New thinking, certification and the rest are starting at the top with Master Sgt. Kenneth M. Elder, deputy commandant, and continues with 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. Marion J. Travis, academy first sergeant; Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Thomas C. Gentle, chief of ANCOC; Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Alex R. Burden, chief of BNCOC; and Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Richard A. Sizer, Training and Development NCOIC.

“For the new chiefs and the first sergeant, it begins a new transition process – one that restructures the academy from two first sergeants to one,” Striffolino said. “It also initiates changes in responsibilities for the chiefs and for the first sergeant. I am confident that their transition will be as smooth as my transition.”

Striffolino has been the academy commandant since June 26. He came to NCOA from the 110<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Battalion, 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division at Fort Drum, N.Y., where he served as the battalion command sergeant major.

While many leaders enter an organization with minor changes, Striffolino walked into the academy with many



Courtesy Photo  
**Command Sgt. Maj. Doug M. Striffolino passes the NCO Academy guidon to 1st Sgt. Marion J. Travis during the academy's first change of responsibility ceremony Friday at Ice Hall.**

challenges. He knew that several NCO's in key leadership positions would rotate out of the academy shortly after his arrival, and he needed to make quick decisions with a smooth transition. With this in mind, Striffolino had no time to waste, so he moved swiftly.

“All positions filled are key positions to the success of the academy,” Striffolino said. “As we energize the process to transform the programs of instruction for our 25 courses, each of the senior NCO's will play a critical role in that transformation process.”

Although there is always some restriction to change,

‘We as an academy must do everything within our means to accomplish the mission, and we must do all we can to obtain the resources to certify the instructors and keep the academy fully equipped. Our Army deserves this effort, and our NCO's in the field deserve this effort.’

**Command Sgt. Maj. Doug M. Striffolino**

Striffolino said many of the academy's cadre felt it was time to move forward. “I believe that over the near term everyone will fully join the team and grasp the vision.”

That vision is for the academy is to train military intelligence NCO's, increase their leadership and technical competencies, and make them adaptive to diverse missions in any environment. “This new leadership team and the excellent NCO's here who actually train the Army's NCO's have the task of working in unity toward this common vision,” Striffolino said.

Travis said he's hoping to increase morale with the new structure by implementing time off for family time and standardizing the work day for cadre.

Striffolino, who has always had a desire to be the NCOA commandant, sees this shift as a move in the right direction.

“For the NCO Academy, like the Intel Center, it takes investment in our instructors and it takes investment in our training development, not just in new systems or new facilities.

“We as an academy must do everything within our means to accomplish the mission, and we must do all we can to obtain the resources to certify the instructors and keep the academy fully equipped,” Striffolino continued. “Our Army deserves this effort, and our NCO's in the field deserve this effort.”

# Short supply forces anthrax vaccination slowdown

By Rudi Williams  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — DoD's dwindling supply of anthrax vaccine has forced a temporary slowdown in inoculations, except to those personnel serving or about to serve in high-threat areas of Southwest Asia and South Korea, defense officials said during a Pentagon press conference.

Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Randy L. West, senior adviser to the deputy secretary of defense for chemical and biological protection, told reporters DoD has only about 160,000 doses of the vaccine on hand. He said DoD is trying to avoid suspending or shutting down the anthrax inoculation program.

What's left of the vaccine is being largely reserved for the 10,000 DoD people “with boots on the ground” in Southwest Asia and 37,000 in South Korea, said Dr. J. Jarrett Clinton, first assistant to the assistant secretary of defense for health affairs.

For the time being, most personnel in those areas who have begun the six-shot series will stop the inoculations if they rotate out. West said DoD guidance allows for local commanders' discretion, so, for instance, rotating soldiers might still get shots because the 10-dose

vaccine vials can only be used or discarded once opened.

So far, 455,378 people have started vaccinations and have received a total of about 1.8 million shots. Some 56,725 have received all six shots, West said. During the slowdown, dosing will fall from about 75,000 vaccinations monthly to around 14,000. At that rate, DoD has enough vaccine to last up to 10 months, he estimated.

The mandatory six shots provide full protection as required by the FDA, West noted. He pointed out that receiving fewer than six shots causes no damage or harm to individuals, but does mean they lack the additional protection provided by the complete series.

Clinton said the first three shots are given in two-week intervals and the last three, six months apart. An annual booster shot keeps troops fully protected. Although a person gains some protection by the second or third shot, it takes the full six for full, sustained immunity, he said.

Persons who have started the series but not finished will only need to pick up where they left off once their vaccinations resume, Clinton said. That's the guidance, he said, of the Centers for Disease Control's expert Ad-

visory Committee for Immunization Practices.

West attributed the slowdown to the inability of the sole contractor, Bioprotect of Lansing, Mich., to gain Food and Drug Administration approval for its production facility. He said immunizations will resume at full speed when the FDA approves and certifies a sufficient supply of vaccine as safe and effective, but he emphasized Bioprotect's own timetable doesn't call for its new vaccine to be available before the end of the year.

“We're disappointed because we wish we were vaccinating the whole force now. We're running about a year behind our planned schedule in this program,” West said.

“When we began the program, there was an existing supply and there was one company that had a license,” he noted. “In retrospect, I wish that we would have immediately advertised for a second source. We did not. We recently have.” BioPort will cooperate with that second-source contractor, he said, and the FDA says that company could earn certification in two to four years.

He said Britain and Russia have anthrax vaccines, but neither has FDA approval. The British vaccine is similar to the U.S. vaccine, but also in limited supply, and DoD has no

interest in the Russians' live-bacteria vaccine, West noted.

The number of people who are refusing shots and the number of adverse reactions have declined, West noted.

“We've had 351 people that have refused to take the shot and have remained adamant enough about that to receive disciplinary action or be discharged or released from service,” he said. “There have been 848 Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System forms reviewed as of last month. That's out of 1.8 million-plus shots.” He said 163 people have missed a day of work because of adverse reaction to the shots and 38 have been hospitalized.

He said intelligence reports indicate that the threat has increased since the anthrax vaccination program started in 1998. “There has also been an increase in the number of both state actors and nonstate actors that have done things that have prompted our intelligence committee to believe they are trying to obtain the capability (for biological weapons).”

But, West emphasized, “We're less at risk than we were in 1998, because we have more than 455,000 people that have some protection and 56,725 are fully protected. But we're less protected than we want to be.”

# Community Updates

## Pregnancy PT instructor

The Pregnancy PT program sponsored by MEDDAC is seeking to hire a part time aerobics instructor to begin immediately. The hours are 5:55-7 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week.

Instructor is expected to be land and water aerobics certified, and will need to be provide his/her own music and radio equipment.

Interested persons should call Program Coordinator, Pat Marshall, at 533-9995.

## DOIM computer classes

The Directorate of Information Management provides computer training classes, with Advanced Excel today, Outlook on Monday, Word on Wednesday and FormFlow on July 28.

For information or to register for a class, call Pfc. Jamie Gert at 533-2868.

## Promotion board convenes

Department of the Army Promotion Selection Board is scheduled to convene Aug. 1 to consider Army Competitive Category lieutenant colonel for promotion to colonel. The colonel board will not consider serving lieutenant colonels of the Chaplain's Corps, Judge Advocate General's Corps or Army Medical Department, Veterinary Corps.

Officers eligible for consideration have active duty dates of rank: above the zone, May 1, 1995 and earlier; promotion zone, May 2, 1995 through Aug. 1, 1996; below the zone, Aug. 2, 1996 through Aug. 1, 1997.

In order to be eligible for consideration by the board, all mandatory or optional Officer Evaluation Reports must be received, error free, in the Evaluation Reports Branch, PERSCOM (TAPC-MSE-R), no later than Tuesday. Exceptions are governed by para 1-33d, AR 600-8-29.

Only original evaluation reports will be processed. Machine reproduced or electronically transmitted copies will not be accepted.

For information, call Margarethe Velazquez at 533-3267.

## UofP classes at NCO Academy

University of Phoenix evening classes that were previously conducted at Nicholson Hall will be taught at the NCO Academy, Ice Hall, Building 62722, beginning Tuesday.

For more information, contact the university at 459-1093.

## AG closed

The Adjutant General Directorate will be closed Tuesday from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Normal operations will resume at 1 p.m. In case of emergency, call 533-2229.

## TREA local chapter

The Retired Enlisted Association, headquartered in Aurora, Colo., will be

forming a new chapter in Sierra Vista.

The meeting is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday at Sierra Suites, 391 E. Fry Blvd. All military retirees, active duty personnel, Reserves and National Guard are invited.

This chapter is forming to offer all concerned enlisted military personnel the opportunity to ban together to work as one.

For information, contact Theodore E. Skinner Sr., 2949 E. Cardinal Dr., Sierra Vista, AZ 85635 or call 459-4545.

## MWR closures

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation will close most facilities on Tuesday for a Team MWR picnic.

Closed all day: MWR Rents, Desert Lanes, Barnes Field House, MWR Arts Center, La Hacienda/Pepperoni's, Bingo and Buffalo Corral

Closed after 11 a.m.: MWR Box Office

Closed after 11:30 am: MWR Division Offices, NAF Personnel, Recreation Services Division Office and Marketing Services

Closed after noon: Mountain View Golf Course

Closed after 10:30 a.m.: Jeannie's Diner  
Child Development Center and School  
Age Services and Youth Programs will remain open, but School Age and Youth Supplemental Programs will close at 11:30 a.m.

Eifler Fitness Center, RPM Auto Care, Apache Flats RV Resort will observe regular hours.

## Adopt a Greyhound

The Greyhound Adoption League of Sierra Vista will conduct a Greyhound Adoption Day on July 29 for Sierra Vista and the surrounding area. The adoption day will be 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Bookman's Bookstore, 100 West Fry Blvd. The program is also in need of temporary homes for these beautiful dogs.

For information, call Dave Breen at 378-1763.

## MIVAS hours change

As of Monday the hours of operation for the MI Village Aid Station clinic have changed to 5 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday and 7-7:45 a.m. Saturday.


Sick call sign-in is 5-6 a.m. weekdays and 7-7:45 a.m. Saturday. Outprocessing will be handled 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday and Friday.

Beginning July 31, immunizations will be offered 10 a.m.-noon Monday through Wednesday and Friday.

Appointments can be made by either calling Central Appointments at 533-9200 or 533-6709. (These are for people with chronic/ongoing problems, ie. knee, back.) IET/AIT soldiers will no longer be seen at the CCC#1 or the Soldier Care Clinic.

## Green to Gold briefing

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tend the next "Green to Gold" briefing Aug. 4, 11 a.m.-noon at the Post Education Center, Building 52104.

## Military softball tourney set

The 12th Annual "Weekend Bash" military regional softball tournament will be held Aug. 5-6 in Tucson. The top four teams will receive prizes.

Each player on the Championship team will walk off with their choice of a new glove or bat from the top manufacturers in softball today.

For information, or to sign up, call Greg Manning at (520) 228-4190 (DSN) 228-4190. A reduced tournament fee is offered for early entry.

## Box Office hours change

Beginning Aug. 14, the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Box Office will be open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Mandatory ethics training

All Department of Defense personnel required to file a Financial Disclosure Report are required to attend ethics training annually. All new employees are required to receive this training within 30 days of entering on duty.

Training sessions will be held from 10-11 a.m. in Room 1215, Greely Hall, on Aug. 15 and Sept. 21. Financial Disclosure Report filers are required to attend only one training session per calendar year.

For information, call Tom King at 533-3197.

## Transportation to Irwin Pool

The Sierra Vista Department of Parks and Leisure provides free transportation from the Oscar Yrun Community Center and Veterans' Memorial Park to Irwin Pool, Tuesday through Friday, 1-5 p.m. until Aug. 16. For information, call 458-7922.

## Celebrate women's equality

Celebrate Women's Equality Day by saving a life and registering to vote. Fort Huachuca will celebrate Women's Equality Day on Aug. 18 to combine the commemoration of the 19th Amendment with the blood drive scheduled at Murr Community Center, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Everyone is encouraged to mark women's contributions to this country by giving blood and contributing to the welfare of the community.

The Post EO Office will have an educational display set up and show a short video commemorating the historic journey of the women's rights movement.

In addition, there will be a voter registration booth set up in the area so that women (and men) can register to exercise that hard won right.

Each blood donor will also receive a "Women's Equality Day" souvenir. Everyone is invited to attend!

Help save lives while commemorating the culmination of the women's rights movement.

For information, call the Military EO Office at 533-1717 or 533-5305.

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Blue Cross benefits brief

All federal employees who are Blue Cross Blue Shield Service Benefit Plan Subscribers are invited to a benefits brief Aug. 21, 1-3 p.m. at Murr Community Center, Roadrunner Room.

A representative from Blue Cross/Blue Shield will visit Fort Huachuca to explain how to get the most out of your insurance coverage and answer your questions on benefits, claims or enrollment.

For questions, call Michele Darby at 533-5273.

ACAP closed for upgrades

The Army Career and Alumni Program Center will be closed Aug. 25-Sept. 5. ACAP staff members will be training with the new ACAP XXI software and technicians will be at the Center installing the new software and hardware.

ACAP XXI is the new interactive multimedia computer based training system that will be available to transitioning soldiers and their family members beginning

Sept. 11. The new ACAP XXI will enable clients to work at their own pace and design their own individual career path.

The new ACAP XXI will use full screen full motion video, graphics, audio, animation, and customized applications. The staff will run small groups of clients through the new software during Sept. 6-8 and be in full operation with the new system Sept. 11.

There will be a member of the ACAP Center staff on site during the shutdown time for post clearances and emergency unscheduled pre-separation briefings. But scheduled pre-separation briefings, three-day workshops and other ACAP activities won't be held during this time.

For information, call Thom Hapgood at 533-7314, or Angela Baker at 533-5766.

Preschool screening offered

The Fort Huachuca Accommodation School District will be conducting a preschool screening Aug. 29 for all three, four, and non-kindergarten five-year-olds resid-

ing on post.

The screening instruments we intend to use are designed to survey gross and fine motor skills, communication skills, cognitive development and socio-emotional development. In addition, we will be testing hearing and vision.

Through the screening process, we hope to identify those children in need of any type of early childhood special education services.

If you suspect a disability in your preschool age child, call 458-5082 to make an appointment.

25th Intelligence Ball

Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence and Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence & Security Command, will host the 25th Anniversary Army Intelligence Ball on Sept. 25.

The Ball will be held at the Hilton Alexandria at Mark Center, in Alexandria, Va. from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

The Army String Quartet and the U.S.

Army Chorale will perform during the evening. After dinner, a band will provide dance music.

For more information and to order tickets, visit <http://www.dami.army.pentagon.mil> or call Lt. Col. Jo-Ann Webber at (703) 604-2415.

4th U.S. Cavalry recruits

Ride with the U.S. Cavalry. Cavalry troopers with the dash, discipline and daring to preserve and promote the traditions of the B Troop 4th U.S. Cavalry Regiment are needed. Membership is voluntary and open to male permanent party soldiers, retirees and DoD civilians.

Call Staff Sgt. Chris Ehney at 538-6063 or e-mail [ehneyc@huachuca-emh1.army.mil](mailto:ehneyc@huachuca-emh1.army.mil). Females may volunteer for the Ladies Auxiliary. Ground School meets at 5 p.m. every Thursday at the Private Stables of Buffalo Corral.

For information, visit the troop website at <http://huachuca-www.army.mil/USAG/BTROOP/BTROOP.HTM>.

Korea 50 years ago this week

By Jim Caldwell  
TRADOC News Service

July 20

Gen. MacArthur declares “the first phase of the campaign has ended and with it the chance for victory by the North Korean forces.” Even though U.S. and Korean forces are still losing ground, the general says the Reds “failed to exploit” the situation after capturing Seoul. “We are now in Korea in force, and with God’s help we are there to stay until the constitutional government of the Republic of Korea is restored,” he vows.

— The NKPA launches a massive tank-led assault against Taejon. Soldiers of the U.S. 24th Infantry Division reportedly knock out about a dozen tanks with a new “super bazooka” that fires 3.5-inch rockets. The Reds overcome their stiff opposition, and by night have entered the city and have it nearly surrounded. Most of Taejon is burning.

Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, 24th ID commander, orders his troops to retreat. They have to fight their way out of the city.

— Gen. Dean is missing in action. During the battle for Taejon, he and many of his commanders were in the front lines to encourage their young and green soldiers.

July 20-24

Parts of the NKPA’s 4th Division continue down the west coast after overcoming resistance by the South Korean Marines at Kunsan. Encountering only light resistance they take the port of Mokpo and then Haenam, virtually at the southern tip of the Korean Peninsula. In 30 days, the Reds had fought their way 230 miles from the 38th Parallel. What has helped them is a sizable guerrilla force.

July 21

The NKPA’s main body swings to the southeast toward Pusan, the port through which nearly all supplies to the U.S. and South Korean defenders are delivered.

— The all-Black 24th Infantry Regiment, of the 25th

ID, recaptures the north-central town of Yechon after a 16-hour battle.

— Other 25th ID troops retake Yongdok on the east coast, with artillery support from U.S. and British warships.

July 21-26

More UN members volunteer to send soldiers to fight in South Korea. Bolivia offered 30 Army officers, Thailand, 4,000 soldiers and Turkey, 4,500. Great Britain is expected to send about 5,000 and Australia’s contingent will be about 10,000. New Zealand also says it will send troops.

July 22

A regimental force of North Koreans retakes Yongdok. American and British warships continue to shell the town.

— The U.S. Air Force claims that attacks on NKPA supply lines have drastically slowed the flow of supplies south. However, it will be another month before NKPA forces in the south are seriously affected.

— Carrier planes attack oil depots and knock out bridges on both sides of the 38th Parallel.

— DoD information reveals that \$48.7 billion dollars has been spent by all the U.S. armed forces since July 1946. However, most of that amount was for demobilization, mothballing and general upkeep rather than beefing up the military. The figure does not include \$4 billion spent by the Air Force for new planes since 1947, which so far have not been delivered. The Army had 1.8 million soldiers on Pearl Harbor Day compared to 600,000 now. Factories were producing 2,000 planes a month then and only 200 now.

July 23

The Department of Defense reports that 14,000 North Koreans have been killed, wounded or captured since they invaded.

July 24-25

An announcement from MacArthur’s Tokyo headquarters says that claims that 250 North Korean tanks have been destroyed is completely inaccurate. The announcement

faults reporting errors and duplication.

— Truman asks Congress for \$10.5 billion to raise American armed force strength to 2.1 million members. The increase is “to meet the immediate situation in Korea” and “to deter further acts of aggression.” The next day he requests a \$5 billion tax increase. Individuals will see a 10-20 percent increase in their taxes.

July 25

The U.S. 1st Cavalry Division faces the NKPA for the first time at Yongdong. Reports say that communist soldiers and tanks slipped through their lines and hit the GIs from all sides. In the frontal assault, wave after wave of communist soldiers hit the American defensive lines, despite heavy losses. After a daylong battle the Americans are forced to execute a fighting withdrawal toward Kumchon, where they will make another stand.

— The South Korean government reveals it is temporarily located in Taegu, 60 miles northwest of Pusan. It also announces that, because of so many communist infiltrators among the 25,000 refugees streaming south every day, any civilian “making enemy-like action” will be executed on the spot.

July 26

A New York Times article said that South Koreans vehemently resent being called gooks by GIs. An unidentified diplomat in Tokyo was quoted as saying the attitudes of Americans had angered South Koreans “and might make them hostile.” The story also said South Korean resentment could cause many to join communist guerrillas.

— The China News Agency reports that U.S. bombing raids on port city Wonsan killed 1,249 people and destroyed 1,088 homes and buildings.

— The Senate approves a measure passed by the House to remove restrictions on the size of American armed forces and extended 295,000 enlistments due to expire within the next year.

— Not enough men are volunteering for military duty, so Congress ups the draft quota for September and October to 100,000 each.

# Fort's new spiritual leader aims to create 'holy space'

By Sgt. Cullen James  
Scout Staff

Fort Huachuca took onboard a new installation staff chaplain during a Stole Ceremony, Friday at the Main Post Chapel.

Chap. (Col.) Juan T. Loya was designated Fort Huachuca's senior spiritual leader by Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr., commanding general, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca.

Loya replaces Chap. (Col.) Thomas R. Decker who is now the senior chaplain for Madigan Army Medical Center near Fort Lewis, Wash.

The ceremony involved special music from different members of the Fort Huachuca chaplaincy and congregation, scripture readings from the Old and New Testaments, remarks from Chap. (Col.) John Barbee, Army Signal Command's chaplain, Thomas and Loya, and the presentation of the stole.

The stole is religiously symbolic of the assumption of religious authority. References for the ceremony were 2 Kings, 2: 1-15, and Luke, 4: 14-21.

"This is like a rite of passage ... something special is happening," said Barbee of the stole ceremony. "We do these things [ceremonies] because it marks special occasions. Think of a graduation ceremony. Graduation certificates could just be mailed to everyone, but they have a ceremony. It marks the special occasion and that's what we're doing here."

"Juan," Barbee said at the conclusion of his comments, "as you take the spiritual leadership of Fort Huachuca, you have to ask yourself, 'Are we doing what God wants?' and 'Are we doing it how he wants it done?'"

After Barbee's comments, there was a special music presentation and then Thomas presented Loya with the stole.

"We look forward to you joining our community," Thomas said to Loya. "Here, as you give spiritual leadership to the Fort Huachuca community ... reach out to the larger community."

"Our parish here is the world, and the desert camouflage stole represents that soldiers here deploy around the world," Thomas explained.

"As a chaplain and colonel, you've already demonstrated your abilities ... now as you become everyone's chaplain, we look to you for spiritual leadership," Thomas said.

"We are consumers and providers [of unit ministry and chaplaincy]," Thomas explained to the congregation present.

"I feel the presence of the Lord in our midst. Now this space between us is holy," Loya retold an old story of a student's comments to his teacher. "This is what I look forward to in the midst of service to the Lord and community," Loya said.

"I want the space between us to be a holy space," he added. "I'm glad to be here, and I look forward to being the installation's unit ministry leader."

The ceremony concluded with the congregation singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee," a benediction, a scroll presentation to Verdun Thomas, wife of Maj. Gen. Thomas, by Loya.

Loya entered active duty in Nov. 1979 at Fort Monmouth, N.J. His assignments include two tours as battalion chaplain at Fort Hood, Texas, and Heilfronn, Germany; two tours as a brigade chaplain, one with the 10th Mountain Division, Fort Drum, N.Y. and another with the Second Infantry Division, South Korea; and most recently as a separate brigade chaplain under V Corps in Heidelberg, Germany. Additionally, Loya served as chief, Department of Ministry and Pastoral Operations, Madigan Army Medical Center.

Loya's military education includes: Chaplain Officer Basic and Advanced courses; Combined Arms Staff Studies School; Command and General Staff College; and six quarters of Clinical Pastoral Education from Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

His civilian education includes a Bachelor of Arts from Southern California College; and Master of Divinity and

Master of Arts degree from San Francisco Theological Seminary.

Loya's military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters and the Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster among others.

He and his wife of 28 years, Marjorie, have three daughters: Elena Loya, a first lieutenant currently serving in Bosnia with the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment; Adriana, an environmental sciences major at the University of Washington, Seattle, is married and has two children; and Mariana, "Miss Washington 1998" is an engineering student at the Univ. of Washington.



Photo by Sgt. Cullen James

**Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr. designates Chap. (Col.) Juan T. Loya as Fort Huachuca's spiritual leader.**

## 225th Anniversary

## Chaplaincy marks 'firsts' during Civil War, commemorative events planned

### Chapel release

When the Civil War began, federal law allowed for 30 chaplain positions to provide religious ministry to the Regular Army.

As militia units came on duty they often brought their chaplains with them. By the end of 1861 approximately 300 chaplains were in service to the country in the North.

The Civil War saw a number of firsts for the Chaplaincy: a Jewish Rabbi and black clergymen serving as chaplains. A woman served unofficially because of the relationships and ministry that she had. She was denied official recognition by the Secretary of the Army.

During these difficult years chaplains had both the best and worst reputations possible. Many people on both sides sought to enter the Chaplaincy for reasons of personal gain.

As the war proceeded, the difficulty of lifestyle, the danger, hardships and low pay began to weed out most of those who had come in for the wrong reasons.

Most of those left to serve by the end of the war were a vital part of bringing God into the midst of one of the darkest times

in our nation's history. Where the struggles were worst and the horrors of war were felt the most chaplains reached out to the living and to those who were dying.

The chaplain ministry in the crowded hospitals brought hope to the hopeless and at least a bit of dignity and care. The hand that was held, the tears cried and the cup of water given in God's name were all part of helping people put their lives back together and introducing God's peace into conflict.

Chaplain ministry was and is about more than hoping that God is on our side for victory. It was and is about the presence of God, the care of God, the strength of God, and the Word of God being brought to soldiers fighting for their country when and where they need it most.

### Events scheduled

The following is a schedule of events planned to celebrate the 225th Anniversary of the Chaplaincy:

On Sunday at 6 p.m. join us for a Choir Gathering and Worship Service at the Main Post Chapel. A number of local gospel choirs and other singing groups will be lifting their voices in praise and adoration to

God. Our guest speaker for the evening will be retired Chap. (Col.) Floyd Lacy, a former Installation Chaplain, visiting from Tennessee. This should be a great event that you won't want to miss. Lacy will also preach Sunday morning in the 8 a.m. Kino Protestant Worship Service.

On Monday at 1p.m. we will gather at the Post Cemetery to honor the Chaplains and Chaplain Assistants who have served here and are now buried here. We will hold a Memorial Service and render honors to those who have served by laying wreaths on gravesites. You are welcome to join us in honoring faithful service.

On Tuesday at noon we will meet for a time of fasting and prayer for the Chaplaincy and for our great nation. God honors prayer and we invite people of faith who believe in the power of prayer to create change to join us in humbling ourselves before God. God wants to do great things on this installation and prayer will be a part of that beginning. You can be a part of what God wants to do.

On Wednesday at 8 a.m. the new Chapel Annex in the MI Village will be dedicated for use on this Installation. Our IET service members will now have a fa-

cility dedicated for their worship needs. Those congregations that had been using the dining facilities will now be able to use this great new facility. Our special guest will be "Ahap. (Brig. Gen.) Dave Hicks, the Deputy Chief of Chaplains. Our last chapel facility dedication on Fort Huachuca was in 1973, you have the opportunity to be a part of this great event.

Also, look for articles telling a bit of the history of the Chaplaincy as they appear each week in The Fort Huachuca Scout newspaper. Beginning next week there will be displays depicting a part of the 225 years of history of the Chaplaincy rotating among the Chapels and also at the Main Post Exchange and Commissary.

A large part of America's heritage of religious freedom is found in the men and women who serve as Chaplains and Chaplain Assistants. Fort Huachuca joins the rest of the Army in honoring those 225 years of faithful service on July 29. Values shape America's Army. Be a part of the solution, think about becoming an Army Chaplain.

For more information, call Chap. (Maj.) Steve Nelson, Kino Chapel, at 533-9507.



# 96D restructures training, incorporating FTX



Photos by Sgt. Cullen James

**Pfc. Austin Bradley prepares to shoot an azimuth with the lensatic compass.**



**Sgt. Edward Robinson, left, and Pvt. 2 William Eaton analyze video provided by Company E, 305th MI Bn.**

**By Sgt. Cullen James  
Scout Staff**

Soldiers from Company A, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion in their final phase of training recently took to Davis Monthan Air Force Base and Fort Huachuca's Area 10 for their situational and field training exercises.

Imagery Analysts (96D) practiced analyzing still pictures and moving video at both Davis Monthan and Area 10, which is part of Fort Huachuca's East Range. They also performed soldier skill training such as nuclear, biological and chemical detection and decontamination; map reading, plotting grid coordinates and land navigation; challenge and password; and a variety of other soldier common tasks.

The training is all part of the 36-hour STX/FTX that is mandatory by Training and Doctrine Command policy. "Other companies have been doing FTXs for a while, but we have just recently implemented into our curriculum," said Master Sgt. Jeffrey Seehase, STX/FTX noncommissioned officer in charge. "But [Maj. Gen. John D.] Thomas [Jr., commanding general, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca] began placing a greater emphasis on FTXs.

"But we're not doing this just because of a TRADOC requirement," Seehase explained. "It's a great idea and a great training tool."

This is the third FTX for A/305th.

"An imagery analyst's main mission is to analyze still pictures [and video] to determine enemy location and activity," Seehase said.

To better achieve the goal of realistic training the Imagery Analyst course is undergoing some subtle changes, according to Seehase. Currently the 17-week course takes place in three

phases. At the end of the first two phases, the trainees must complete practical exercises. The FTX takes place at the end of the third phase.

Company E, 305th MI Bn.'s Unmanned Aerial Vehicle operators and analysts (96U) provide resources for the practical exercises. The real-time video and stills allow the students to practice the skills they're learning while at the course here.

But, explained Seehase, in the "real" Army, Imagery Analysts are going to be using sources acquired from Air Force and Joint Service UAVs and still pictures from national resources.

"The 96 uniforms have been great," Seehase said. "They've been working with us to provide the video."

To institute the changes to the course training, A/305th is expecting the delivery of some new equipment that will allow them to acquire sources from national resources. This will allow the students to train in an environment closer to their real-world mission. "The equipment is on order and we expect to have it up and running at the beginning of the next fiscal year," Seehase said.

Beginning next fiscal year the Imagery Analyst course extends to 20 weeks. "This is in part due to the incorporation of the new equipment," Seehase said. The end-of-course exercise will also extend from 36 to 72 hours.

The 72-hour version of the FTX will incorporate three cells — a bomb damage cell, an Ad/Hoc cell, and a UAV cell. The students will be broken down into three teams and spend one day with each team; they will spend the nights performing common soldier tasks.

The first F/STX the 96 delta's performed included only a trip to Davis Monthan. The current exercise includes the DM trip, imagery exploitation (analyzing video and stills) and common tasks at Area 10. "We're changing and adapting as time goes on," Seehase said.

"The NBC [portion] was very informative," said Pvt. 1st Class Alejandro Estrada, Imagery Analyst student. "The [whole exercise] recapped what we learned at basic training."

"[Everything we learned during the course] was very helpful in the practical exercises," Estrada said. "Because of all the training we did, it wasn't that hard."

"[The exercise] was pretty good," said Pvt. 2 Catherine Copenhaver, Imagery Analyst student. "My favorite part was the UAV video training we did [from midnight to 5 a.m. July 17-18]."

During the midnight to 5 a.m. shift, students rotated between sleep, a shift at the UAV video exploitation (read analysis), and guard duty. "It's about sleep deprivation," said Seehase. "This gives them an idea of how much more difficult it is to do their job when they're tired."

"It was definitely more difficult because of the fatigue," Copenhaver said. "Me and my buddy [Pvt. 2 Melissa Heneghan] ... our shift was at 1 [a.m.]. So, we'd only had an hour sleep before our shift. But it was basically a reiteration of what we've already learned."

Copenhaver and Heneghan's shift interrupted their sleep, but they were able to go back to bed and get plenty of rest, according to Seehase.

The Intelligence Analyst students who participated in the FTX graduate from AIT today. Estrada heads off to Korea and Copenhaver is scheduled to depart for Germany upon graduation.

"We want to re-enforce what they've already learned," Seehase said of the FTX. "Hopefully it'll give them a taste of what their real missions will be like."



**Staff Sgt. James Ulbrich, 96D instructor, gives an NBC class.**

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Photo by Sgt. Cullen James

Col. William A Carrington (left) and Col. Michael J. Gaffney (right) render honors to the host commander, Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr. (center).

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the strongest cords of our Constitution as a whale goes through a net. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.”

As an enlisted soldier and military officer I joined the ranks of all soldiers who went before me in swearing a solemn oath to “support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America against all enemies both foreign and domestic.”

Today I frequently hear that the military is “out of touch” with the values and norms of American society. To that I say

praise God! While society outside of the uniformed services can perhaps accept lying, cheating or adulterous liaisons ... our military cannot. The threat of eroding our military’s values to accommodate society’s is a domestic challenge to the very foundation of this great nation.

Our victories on foreign battlefields are a great testimony to the bravery and honor of the American people. More importantly, however, they are a testimony to a great God who has kept America under His divine protection.

No one understood this better than Presi-

Maj. Gary Jones, command sergeant major, 111th MI Bde., and all the soldiers and civilians of his former command, Gaffney thanked them all.

He even took a humorous stab at local media personality Bill Hess, senior reporter, Sierra Vista Herald.

“Bill, this speech is going to be a thank you,” Gaffney said. “You can write in your article, ‘Gaffney sent out a big Thank You,’” he joked. “In fact, Bill, I thank you. You can write, ‘Outgoing commander thinks Bill is just swell.’”

Slightly flushed, Hess returned to where he had been standing and asked generally, “How red am I?”

Concluding his remarks, Gaffney gave his one “quotable quote,” “There is no greater task in peace than preparing and training our soldiers for war,” he said.

Carrington took the podium and thanked everyone for attending. “Command is the best job on Earth,” he said. “It is my privilege to be the eighth commander of the 111th.

“The 111th was my first choice, because of its mission,” Carrington explained. “Having spent the last year in the Battle Lab, testing future MI equipment ... [you learn] that equipment is important. But the most important MI asset is what you see standing before you,” he said referring to the units in formation. “Don’t they look great?”

Carrington ended his comments by pledging his continued support to the brigade.

The ceremony ended with a pass-in-review by the formed troops and a cavalry charge by B Troop 4th U.S. Cavalry Regiment (Memorial).

dent Abraham Lincoln. On March 30, 1863 he issued a historic Proclamation Appointing a National Fast Day. In a portion of this presidential decree he lamented, “But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious Hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own.”

This practice of having a National Day of Prayer persists even today. Unfortunately in the public sector it has become a day of

prayer to an ambiguous or sometimes seemingly unknown God. The God that Lincoln, MacArthur and Reagan point us to is the God of the Bible. He is the God that has made America great.

Our success as a mighty nation is directly attributable to the goodness and divine hand of providence of God Almighty. As we bask in the afterglow of this most recent Independence Day celebration let us remember our Godly heritage. Let us stand up and be heard in the arena of political endeavor so that our Christian heritage will not be forgotten.